

Bradford District Wellbeing Board.

**Strategic Partnership
Update**

August 2020

Childrens System Board

1. Work completed in previous period.

- COVID assurance for children, including education, social care and skills
- Deep dive into children's mental health
- Opportunity Area
- Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)

2. Work to be progressed in next period

- Children and Young People's Plan
- ACEs
- Mental health resilience for children

3. Areas of concern or highlights

- Impact of COVID especially on attendance and attainment
- Mental health resilience for children
- Capacity at the Front Door

Cultural Place Partnership

1. Work completed in previous period.

- The partnership was successful in making the case for funding from the council for strategic investment of £1,435,000 to support and leverage in external funding from key stakeholders ACE & NHLF in the region of £3,560,000
- The Leap , The Producing Hub, Bradford's Bid for 2025 , South Square and The Cultural Voice are all now active and delivering with significant positive impact despite COVID
- A new 10 year Cultural strategy was agreed to be develop
- The Lead for Cultural Partnerships was recruited and post commenced in February 2020

2. Work to be progressed in next period

- Awaiting guidelines from DCMS re the City of Culture Bid
- Developing the cultural strategy in a co created manner , which will have an impact on the delivery with sign of expected Jan 2021
- Working with key stakeholder ACE, DCMS & NHLF to position Bradford in terms of cultural recovery
- A cultural Recovery group has been set up and will feed into the Culture Place Partnership
- Mapping the needs and ambitions of the sector
- Mapping the economic impact of the Sector
- Positioning paper and invite to the Cultural Secretary, Oliver Dowden and the Cultural Recovery lead for DCMS Neil Mendoza

3. Areas of concern or highlights

- Impact of Covid on cultural sector , especially those with venues
- Economic downturn and the impact that could have on the sector to deliver outreach work in our communities
- During Covid the sector has been incredibly creative, resourceful and utilising different techniques of engagement (not all digital) they have reached over 1 million audiences, participants in the district and beyond , some of those participants being the most isolated in our society

Economic Partnership

- 1. Work completed in previous period.**
- 2. Work to be progressed in next period**
- 3. Areas of concern or highlights**

Health & Care Executive Board

1. Work completed in previous period.

- The health and care system has been focused on addressing the health and care needs of our people in relation to Covid 19, and in relation to all the other non-Covid health and care needs which people experience.
- Significant developments and learning to highlight include:
 - Our population showed us that People really Can
 - Our teams showed us how to innovate together and Act as One
 - We all learnt the importance of addressing inequality
- In common with all our local partnerships, we have also remained focused on the future. During this period our priority transformation workstreams have been scoped and plans developed; and we have learnt from the practical experiences of our teams to clarify our Act as One approach, which is how we will operate together.
 - Act as One is our guiding philosophy, the functional integration of end to end pathways, and stronger clearer governance and decision making
 - Our transformation priorities are; children's mental health, respiratory, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, frailty, better births and access to care

2. Work to be progressed in next period

- Our people need support, care, and time
- Safe re-start and recovery, alongside 'living with Covid'. People shielding, with long term conditions, Prevention and staying well
- Continue strengthening partnership between care and health sectors
- Act as One – including our transformation priorities

3. Areas of concern or highlights

- The on-going heightened presence of Covid19 infection in our District, and the control measures which this necessitates, must be balanced with the expectations of NHS planning guidance, which is focused on accelerating the diagnosis and treatment of non-covid healthcare needs; in order to avoid delays in treatment leading to poorer outcomes.
- Performance / financial challenge – heightened expectations, uncertainty of funding
- Some parts of our partnership (VCSE and care sector) face significant challenge to sustainability
- Target inequality in our approach to 're-start'
- Safety and resilience – our people
- All in context of continued higher than average rates of Covid in our communities, impacting on our teams and on the confidence of people to engage with health and care services

Safer Communities Partnership

1. Work completed in previous period.

- Policing response - 4 E's
- Engagement with businesses - face coverings, social distancing
- Neighbourhood engagement and reassurance walks
- Work to support corporate messaging
- Response to domestic abuse
- Scholemoor Cemetery
- Warm Weather Plan
- Managing anti-social behaviour

2. Work to be progressed in next period

- Neighbourhood Service Hub – Sedbergh Centre
- Bonfire Night Preparation
- Hate Crime Week
- Embed Violence Reduction Unit programme for the year
- Support young person led campaign on Nitrous Oxide (NOX)
- Extend enforcement of anti-social driving PSPO to Neighbourhood Policing Teams
- Communications Strategy for 'Safer Bradford'

3. Areas of concern or highlights

- Community tensions relating to perceived unequal treatment – e.g. Eve of Eid lockdown announcement
- Rising concerns over drug misuse issues
- Impact of further Covid-19 restrictions

Stronger Communities Partnership

1. Work completed in previous period.

- The SCP has been focussed on providing support for the COVID19 community response; we showed how we could work together across boundaries, at pace and across sectors. People Can became the face of the district's covid19 response, the service provided reassurance and engagement over Eid and Ramadan and Bradford For Everyone programme contributed to the positive communication, and advice in engaging with diverse communities including the documentation of the affects of COVID19. The first four months of COVID19 demonstrated high levels of unity, kindness and compassion.
- The Controlling Migration Fund (Changing Places) ended in March 2020. The integration Communities Strategy programme (Bradford For Everyone) has now commissioned 39 activities, projects, research and campaigns. Approx £1.4m has been spent from year one budget. Some activity is just starting, others have been paused due to COVID19, and some are half way through delivery with some adaptations. We also continue to provide support in light of Brexit to EU communities to ensure they can get support to help with their applications for residency. We are now as a Partnership considering the focus of the service and our priorities.

2. Work to be progressed in next period

- Continue to address our priorities identified in the Stronger Communities Together Strategy, recognising that a number of people are digitally excluded, social isolated and engagement and reassurance in respect of community relations needs to developed alongside.
- Focus on building our intelligence and understanding on the impact on cohesion as a result of COVID19 by the University of Kent and the Integration and Cohesion Network “Belong” to inform our on-going priorities in light of covid19
- Strengthen the way we deliver on equalities by working more closely cross sector, focussing on Shared Values to provide a common set of values for everyone in the district – whether you work or live here.

3. Areas of concern or highlights

- Due to the diversity of the district, the rise in test and trace, changing and most recent government guidelines for Bradford and potential risk of extra measures has contributed to hostility, anti-immigration sentiments, laying blame and increased hate speech online. Certain areas are using this to fuel divides. How we ensure that the kindness, compassion and good will shown by communities is continued.
- Sustainability of the Stronger Communities service once MHCLG funding has ended
- A wide reach into communities and the strong relationships across faith, VCS and across public services, we need to continue to build our intelligence so we can focus our efforts in the right areas.
- Increased concern on how we tackle inequalities, but ensuring that integration and cohesion are seen as integral to levelling up.

Sustainable Development Partnership

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- 2. Work to be progressed in next period**
- 3. Areas of concern or highlights**